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high 33; low 28
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Partly cloudy
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Soul food featured on menu

Black history month celebrated with feast

by LISA SOPKO
reporter

Put away the cheeseburgers and spaghetti dinners. This Sunday evening, the Center for African American Students has a menu plan featuring soul food.

Fried chicken, BBQ ribs, chit'lins (pig intestines), collard greens, candied yams and corn bread rolls are just a few of the dishes that will be served, said Fran Jackson, African American Students' Programs coordinator.

"We will be eating what slave owners gave their slaves to eat," Jackson said. "The slaves made a great meal out of what they were given."

"We want to encourage everyone to attend," Jackson said. "We are expecting a good turnout."

Kenneth E. Blue, associate vice president for multicultural affairs and international programs said, "It's a historical perspective to African American eating."

The center is sponsoring the Soul Food Feast at 3 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center, Blue said. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for students.

The dinner is one of the events organized in celebration of Black History Month. Upcoming events will include: a lecture given by Dr. William Turner; an experiential workshop examining systems of oppression and a Women of Color Celebration.

More information about the dinner and upcoming Black History Month events may be obtained by calling (304) 696-6705.

Senator accuses; Glover replies

by JASON MCALLISTER
reporter

Controversy has been brewing for weeks in the Student Government Association concerning SGA President Matt Glover and the group's off-campus account.

Both the dean and associate dean of student affairs said they have found nothing illegal.

In a column submitted to The Parthenon last week, Graduate College Senator Christian S. John made numerous accusations about Glover and alleged abuses of power.

St. John's column, not published in The Parthenon, referred to the account as Glover's "presidential slush fund" and also questioned the "legality or ethics of having an off-campus account which is at the sole discretion of one person."

Glover, meanwhile, emphatically denied any wrongdoing and stressed that he was more than eager to welcome any one who wanted to check the transactions from the account.

Glover also said St. John was accurate in some things, but he continually made them seem illegal.

"St. John has twisted all of these

things around," Glover said.

The account is separate from SGA and student activities money and is controlled by the SGA president and business manager.

St. John also addressed other matters relating to Glover and SGA.

Last semester, former Senate Protompt Darcy Bierce was paid for her work from the off-campus account because of a mix-up in paperwork. Bierce and Glover are now dating.

"Glover used (the account) to pay his girlfriend's salary," St. John's column stated. "Darcy Bierce, then Student Senate president Protompt, decided not to bother with filling out the necessary paper work so she could be paid through normal university channels like every other employee, instead she decided not to pay Social Security or income tax and be paid directly from the off-campus account."

Glover and Dean of Student Affairs Donnalee Cockrille disagreed with St. John. They said paying a salary from the off-campus account was not new or wrong as long as taxes were filed.

"Darcy was paid because of a mistake made in the paperwork," Glover said. "It wasn't her mistake and I didn't see why she should be penalized for

"St. John has twisted all of these things around."

— R. Matt Glover
Student Body President

it. Former presidents have done the same thing.

"The money has been put back in the account and taxes have been taken out on the money given," he said.

Glover also pointed out he and Bierce were not involved in any type of relationship in the fall when accommodations were made to pay her.

In Tuesday's Student Senate meeting, Associate Dean of Student Affairs Stephen W. Hensley said he had reviewed with Glover every check from the off-campus account and did not find anything wrong.

Glover issued a list of expenditures

and deposits from the account Tuesday and discussed them openly.

College of Business Senator Matt Ladd said he thought that those raising questions about Glover were trying to impeach him.

During the meeting, Ladd said the accusations and arguments were "ridiculous" and "slandering."

St. John also cited the recent approval of Bierce as the SGA business manager. Glover replied he has full power to appoint who he wants. "There has been nothing done that is wrong," Glover said.

"The off-campus account is audited every semester and the advisers look over every check. There is no way to hide anything that you do even if you wanted to do something wrong."

"There is more money in that account now than when I took over. And we used the money for concerts, tickets to football games and organizations that needed it."

Glover said St. John's accusations stem directly from a previous incident.

"Christian has said to both (SGA Special Projects Coordinator) Jacob Comer and Dee Cockrille that the accusations are revengeful," Glover said.

Snow creates trouble on campus

Rush to call jams phones; night classes cancelled

by MARIA CHAPMAN
reporter

Wednesday's storm meant falling snow, busy phones and cancelled classes for some Marshall students.

During the height of the storm Wednesday afternoon, some campus phones stopped operating. Associate Vice President for Operations, Dr. William Deel said. The problem was a large number of people trying to make calls from campus, while at the same time an AUDIX message was being sent to all campus phones.

While the phone problem occurred — students, faculty and staff who tried make calls, heard a busy signal instead of ringing.

The AUDIX message was sent to inform everyone that night classes were canceled. When an AUDIX message is sent, the phone system must call each campus phone individually.

Deel said the company that services the phone system, Bell Atlantic, is conducting a study to determine how many phones were affected by the problem and what needs to be changed to prevent the problem from recurring.

He said a situation like Wednesday's is not likely to happen again, it will not be

necessary to make changes.

Classes after 4 p.m. were canceled Wednesday, but some students may not have known until after they got to campus.

Dr. K. Edward Grose, senior vice president for operations, said the decision was made at 2:45 p.m.

His reason for waiting to make the decision was the mix of weather forecasts.

"We waited until the very last minute to cancel, because the weather was so uncertain," he said.

"We were hoping we wouldn't get anymore snow, the weather was so good to the east."

The decision to cancel classes was not based entirely on weather forecasts. Public Safety Officers patrol the campus every half hour to check road conditions. After patrolling they report the conditions to a dispatcher who alerts Grose to any changes in road conditions.

Students may have been hoping for a day of delayed classes on Thursday, but had to settle for a slushy walk to class.

Grose said although he monitored the weather conditions, cancelling classes was not a serious consideration after 1 a.m.



Students bundled up and waded through slush and water to classes Wednesday.

photo by Vicente Alcaniz

Fraternity sponsors pageant

by LISA SOPKO
reporter

And the winner is....

The Nu Nu Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity will sponsor its Miss Black and Old Gold Pageant this evening.

"We want everybody to come," said Harvey Austin, Williamson senior and fraternity president. "It will be really positive and uplifting to women."

The pageant begins at 7 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center and admission is free,

Austin said.

Marshall has four crown hopefuls: Tamia Barnes, Lewisburg junior and psychology major; Patricia White, Charleston senior and broadcast journalism major; Audray White, Huntington freshman and a business major; and Christina Overstreet, a senior psychology major.

Other contestants will come from West Virginia University, West Virginia Wesleyan and Morehead State University, Austin said.

Criteria for judging will be based on business wear, casual wear evening wear and a

talent and question-answer session, Austin explained. Contestants also must be undergraduates with a minimum grade point average of 2.0, he said.

During the pageant, a mini step show will be performed by the Alpha Phi Alpha brothers, Austin said. "It originates from the way African tribes stepped against each other to settle disputes."

The winner receives a scholarship and will compete on the regional level in Louisville.

The Miss Black and Old Gold Pageant portrays the outgrowth of the long tradi-

tion of Alpha Chapters appointing outstanding young women to serve as "Chapter Angels," Austin said.

The first national pageant was during Alpha's 1976 General Convention in New York City. Denise Smith, representing Georgia State University, was awarded the first crown.

"We would like everyone on campus to take part in this," Austin said. "It is the first year for Marshall to host the district, and we want to be able to continue this every year."

More information on the pageant may be obtained by calling (304) 523-7344.

Computer degree on way out as College of Science major

by NICOLE M. WRIGHT
reporter

Marshall's Computer Science and Software Development (CSD) program is being phased out as a result of a study that cited program duplication and low number of graduates.

In a memo distributed this week to majors in the program, Dr. Thomas A. Storch, dean of the College of Science, said the university will discontinue admission of new students to the program April 1.

Storch emphasized courses required for the CSD degree will continue to be offered over the next three to four years or until completion.

"Whether this is a student's

first or eighth semester, the classes will be offered so students can graduate with a computer science and software development degree," Storch said.

Reassessing where the college is headed in the application of computers, it was discovered that undergraduates were not completing the CSD program, Storch said.

The computer science and software development program only has three to four students graduate each year.

Storch said although the computer science and software development program will be eliminated, three remaining undergraduate computer programs will have greater emphasis.

Information Technology in the Integrated Science and Technology program and Management Information Systems in the College of Business are both four year computer-based programs offered. Computer Technology in the Community and Technical College is the only two year degree offered, Storch said.

"These programs will give students computer competency in which they will learn about application of computers and its particular discipline," Storch said.

He said all majors should have received a memo explaining the situation to the students through CSD classes this week. Also students were

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Thomas A. Storch,
dean of the College of Science

sent a copy of the memo to their listed address in the system, Storch said.

Storch said students should not feel discouraged by the changes in the CSD program.

"After students understand the memo, they will realize completing a degree in computer science and software development is still possible," Storch said.

Strings feature of tour

Two music department faculty members will kick off a concert tour Sunday at 3 p.m. with a performance at St. John's Episcopal Church on Washington Boulevard.

Dr. Susan Tephly, assistant professor of cello, and Dr. Leo Welch, associate professor of guitar, will perform works for their specialty instruments during the tour.

"I am very excited because the pairing of cello and guitar is unique and there are very few pieces written for the combination," Tephly said. "We have composed our own arrangements especially for this tour, which has given us the chance to be creative and try new things."

The Feb. 8 program is the first of many demonstrations and performances at junior and senior high schools, colleges and universities in West Virginia, Kentucky and Pennsylvania.

"This will be our first tour as a duo and we plan to travel until mid-March," Welch said. "It is wonderful to play with a cellist like Susan Tephly and I enjoy working with her."

Following the tour on March 30, Tephly and Welch will go to Chicago to perform on WFMT radio's "Live From Studio One" series.

Baptists aiding sick girl

by TONIA
HOLBROOK
reporter

Marshall's Baptist Student Union chapter is heeding the call of one in need.

Christy Schuman, 16 of Charleston, is recovering from surgeries she had almost one year ago. Though Schuman is beginning to walk again after her liver and pancreas transplants, she requires day to day care.

"Someone told me that her hospital bills total more than \$1 million," said Jim Fugate, campus Southern Baptist minister. "Her family doesn't have the insurance or the funds to cover the costs."

Baptist Student Union will be sponsoring a fund-raiser for the girl March 2 in the Fellowship Hall of the Campus Christian Center.

The fund-raiser will consist of a spaghetti lunch, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, and a spaghetti dinner, from 4 to 6 p.m. These meals will include spaghetti, salad, a beverage and dessert. Although exact prices have not been set yet, Fugate said students' meals would probably cost \$3.50 with faculty and staff meals costing \$4.50.

For those who cannot be at the Fellowship Hall, BSU will deliver the meals to any department on campus.

All proceeds from the lunch and dinner will go to Schuman's fund.

Dorm council names officers

by ALISHA D. GRASS
reporter

Some things are never good, like when your tire goes flat, you are late for class or you forgot about that political science test you meant to study for two days ago. However, some things can be made better with a little effort.

This was the case at Tuesday night's Inter-hall Government Council (IGC) meeting. A vice presidential election took place, and complaints and ideas from about 20 residents filled Buskirk Hall lobby.

Joseph "Tank" Hale, president of IGC, opened the meeting with nominations for vice president of IGC. Johnnie D. Lawson, Walton freshman and a radio-television major was elected vice president for the spring semester.

Lawson said, "It's an honor to be vice president of IGC. I plan to do a good job for the council."

Two representatives from each residence hall were present at the meeting and each had a vote in the election.

Gabrielle A. Sulzbach, resident director and adviser of IGC, noted new officers will be elected in the fall.

As vice president, Lawson has many responsibilities. He will conduct meetings in the absence of the president and become president if Hale cannot serve his position. Hale said Lawson will also be responsible for other matters assigned by him.

Three residents were also elected for chairpersons of the Improvements Committee, Fund-raising Committee and the Activities Committee.

Residence hall students can be elected

as chairperson to any committee as long as they are not resident advisers.

Once a year, the IGC awards money to the six residence halls. Last year, \$1,800 was divided among halls, according to Hale.

Residents can choose how the money is spent. Usually, the money is spent on equipment repairs or social activities for the residence halls, Hale said.

Sulzbach said, "The meeting went very smooth. We accomplished what we wanted and we plan to do more," Hale said, "Sometimes you come up with ideas and this is your chance to voice them."

Usually, IGC meets once a month. However another meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 9:15 p.m. in Holderby Hall lobby where the IGC constitution will be discussed.

Learning disabilities often go unrecognized until college age

by SHAWN GAINER
reporter

Some students may have dyslexia and not even know it, according to Diane Williams, coordinator of remediation services.

"The majority of students are identified earlier but a few are identified during college," said Williams.

Dyslexia is a genetically linked learning disability that interferes with reading speed, reading comprehension and spelling.

It can also hamper mathematical performance, especially if the student experiences transposition, a perceptive reversal of numbers or figures as they actually appear on a page. It affects people with average to above average intelligence.

"Major symptoms are a disparity between the student's ability and achievement level and problems with reading comprehension. Many of them are very poor spellers," Williams said.

"A dyslexic person may be verbally eloquent but have problems with written communications."

Students who suspect they might have dyslexia can turn to the Higher Education for Learning Problems (H.E.L.P.) center for assistance. "We con-

"The majority of students are identified earlier but a few are identified during college."

Diane Williams,
coordinator of
remediation services

duct batteries of tests that can identify all learning disabilities," said Debbie Painter, coordinator of diagnostic services.

The extensive testing includes a formal IQ test and examinations of the student's verbal and mathematical skills.

H.E.L.P. center personnel assist approximately 200 students with various learning disabilities through tutoring and remediation therapy, as well as working with faculty members to ensure that participating students take examinations under reasonable conditions.

"Remediation involves language skills development," Williams said. "We work to improve the student's reading speed,

written expression and spelling. It has a tremendous success rate as far as improvement of skills, though everyone progresses at a different pace."

Painter said there are many ways dyslexic students can improve examination scores.

"We help the students receive more testing time because they process information at a slower rate. We recommend students take tests in isolated areas to avoid distractions."

Further assistance is provided to students with severe reading comprehension and verbal communication problems.

"Sometimes students with dyslexia can have test questions read to them by a tutor," Painter said. "Tutors may also transcribe for students who have really poor handwriting."

Perhaps the greatest challenge faced by dyslexics is misconceptions that they are "slow" or "unintelligent."

"People underestimate their abilities and they face that throughout their school years," Williams said.

A correct diagnosis combined with remediation therapy helps dyslexics overcome the self esteem problems that sometimes result from their condition, according to Dr. Thomas Linz, assistant professor of psychiatry.

Grades not most important, students say

by ERRIN JEWELL and
RENAE SKOGLUND
reporters

Participating in a variety of activities and making solid grades is more important than putting all efforts into earning top academic honors.

That's the opinion expressed by 18 of 26 students and faculty who participated in an informal campus poll Wednesday.

Tim Jones, Huntington sophomore and psychology major, said, "I think a student should be involved in every activity possible, and if school gets in the way, you'll have to make some sacrifices."

"Participating teaches a per-

son more about friendship and how to get to know people when you go out into the real world."

Chad Pennington, Knoxville, Tenn., junior and broadcast journalism major, said he thinks a good gpa and active participation is more beneficial.

"A gpa doesn't totally explain what you understand or what you've been studying," Pennington said.

"It also doesn't explain your understanding of the outside world in relation to communicating and people."

Jodi Shaw, senior criminal justice major agrees. "Who wants to hire someone who made straight A's but never

socialized," Shaw said.

Steven Cole, Huntington junior and criminal justice major, said he is a returning student and wishes he had been more involved the first time he attended Marshall.

"People who are more involved develop better social skills and more diversity," Cole said.

Not all of the students questioned said they believed that grades should be sacrificed for activities.

Justin Stark, Huntington freshman and finance major, said he thinks a higher gpa is better for students.

"Academics is the key to success," he said.

Ron Titus, reference librar-

ian, said the answer depends on the person.

"It is different for every student, but you must make sure your activities don't hurt your gpa."

Some students said a combination of academics and involvement is better for students than concentrating on one area.

Fani Lougklou, Athens, Greece, junior and psychology major, said, "It is better for students to be well-rounded."

"Being involved allows you to meet many people and it looks good on your resume and graduate school applications."

"Your grade point average still needs to be at least a 3.0," Lougklou said.

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REPLACEMENT KILLERS (R)
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Committee studies bill to prevent I.D. theft

CHARLESTON (AP) — A bill that would make it a felony to steal another person's identity for financial gain was sent to a subcommittee for more work Thursday by lawmakers who fear it could target underage drinkers.

The bill (HB4234) would create the felony crime of stealing someone's name, Social Security number or birthdate for a financial transaction.

Conviction would be punishable by up to five years in prison, with no mandatory minimum sentence.

Delegate Arley Johnson, D-Cabell, whose district includes Marshall University, questioned whether an underage student who used another person's ID to get into a bar and buy beer could end up spending five years in prison.

"We're taking away the fun," he joked.

"Not that I would have done that when I was younger. ... That appears to me to be a little severe to me."

Others on the House Judiciary Committee agreed, including Delegates Mike Buchanan and Barbara Fleischauer, both D-Monongalia. Their district includes West Virginia University, which was voted the nation's top party school by the Princeton Review last fall.

"Wouldn't purchasing a beer be a financial transaction?" Fleischauer said. "It could be construed that way."

Fleischauer said she worries an aggressive prosecutor or police department would use the bill as a tool to crack down on underage drinking and unfairly make felons of students.

Johnson also said the bill would make a felony of what would otherwise be considered a petty crime.

If a person steals \$450 from someone's wallet, that's a misdemeanor, he said.

World War III thoughts not a hit with students

by ERIN DOWNARD, KAREN LOUDIN, AMANDA TERRY reporters

In national news, Boris Yeltsin warns of a possible World War III as relations between Iraq and the United Nations heat up.

Students on this campus, however, expressed confidence in the power of the United States Armed Forces as a deterrent to global actions.

"It won't go that far. Our military is too powerful. No one will mess with us," said Brian Ferguson, Huntington sophomore and liberal arts major.

Northport, N.Y. junior Dan Gross agrees.

"It's totally and completely ridiculous," the political science major said.

"The world [governments] will never let a third world war happen."

Other students, like Charleston senior and English major Rachel Seabolt, believe a war involving nearly all major countries across the globe is not possible.

"I really don't think this is going to get us into World War III," Seabolt said, adding the US had the power and prevention in their hands once before and did not seize the opportunity. "I don't think we finished what we started the first time we were [in Iraq]."

Although doubtful of a full-scale world war, Beckley counseling graduate student Shannon Osborne said military action of some kind is imminent.

"I think it is inevitable that we will attack Iraq, but I doubt there will be another world war," Osborne said.

Any US military involvement would not only leave its mark on Americans as a whole, Osborne added, but would certainly grab students' attention as well.

"A war with Iraq of any magnitude would affect students on many levels."

Without committing he answer to include world war, Heather Ashburn, Point Pleasant sophomore and psychology major thinks some kind of war is likely.

"I think there probably would be because people think war is the way to solve everything."

But it is Iraqi leaders, and not the will of the American people, that have New York, N.Y. counseling graduate student Gunther Schryer convinced of coming military actions.

"I think that we will be attacking Iraq sooner than later. Saddam is crazy," Schryer said.

With the rumors of Iraqi nuclear weapons circling the evening news, Alex Wilson, Poca senior and photography major can see cause for Yeltsin's concern.

"I think there could be some merit to it," Wilson said.

"It would be a bigger conflict than it was the last time we were there."

Even in the event of a world war, a few students, such as Ronkonkoma, N.Y. sophomore John Scharf, are confident the US would prevail.

Still, when it comes to war, Summer Adkins, Barboursville junior and elementary education major, agreed it comes down to a matter of artillery.

"They are scared of us," she said.

"They are going to back down. They are just not as well equipped as we are."

Clinton supporter pleads innocent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declaring through his lawyer he won't be made the villain of the campaign fund-raising controversy, Yah Lin "Charlie" Trie pleaded innocent Thursday to charges he funneled illegal donations to the Democratic Party.

Trie, who fled to China last year as Congress began investigating his role in fund raising for President Clinton's reelection effort, entered the plea to the 15-count indictment that was returned

last week.

U.S. District Judge Paul Friedman set Oct. 7 for the trial.

Outside the courthouse, defense lawyer Reid Weingarten said Trie is a victim of efforts by congressional investigators to portray him as an agent of a supposed Chinese government attempt to influence the 1996 presidential election.

"He has never been a fugitive from justice. He has never served as a spy for a foreign country. He never intended to corrupt the American political sys-

tem," Weingarten told reporters.

"Any effort to make him the heavy in this political scandal will fall of its own weight," he added. "This is, in fact, a political scandal that's being shoe-horned in the criminal justice system. It has no place being there."

Asked by court clerk Barbara Montgomery how he intended to plead, Trie said, "not guilty."

He wore the same jacket and blue and black tie that he wore at a bail hearing earlier on Tuesday.

Companies vow to make cars environmentally friendly

WASHINGTON (AP) — The country's Big Three automakers — General Motors, Ford and Chrysler — said Wednesday that beginning with new models this fall, cars sold in 12 states from Virginia to Maine will produce at least 70 percent less pollution. The cleaner cars will be sold nationwide within three years, beginning with 2001 models, the manufacturers said.

Mountain State news

Delegate set to squash a road kill bill in house

CHARLESTON (AP) — If the so-called "road kill bill" that is making West Virginia a national joke returns to the House of Delegates, that is where it will die, one lawmaker vowed.

The Senate Natural Resources Committee this week approved a measure that would legalize immediately collecting and eating road kill.

It was an amendment to a bill designed to correct 1997 legislation that inadvertently outlawed possession of game meat.

The House already passed the bill (HB4062), which is now pending in the Senate. If the Senate approves a different version, it will return to the House for another vote.

"I guarantee you this," said Delegate Bill Proudfoot, D-Randolph, chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee. "When the bill gets back to our committee ... we will clean up that bill so it is a suitable, respectable bill. And we will send it back to them," he said to the applause of many fellow delegates.

Proudfoot's comment followed remarks by Delegate Larry Faircloth, R-Berkeley, who said the bill has made the state the butt of jokes.

"At first glance, you kind of chuckle and giggle. ... but we are being talked about all over the nation," he said.

Don Imus, a nationally syndicated talk-show host, "is making fun of us, and I assure you, by the end of the week, Jay Leno and David Letterman also will be," Faircloth said.

"We need to promote a positive image of West Virginia, and this bill is creating a serious image problem for us," he said.

Proponents of the amendment say if drivers can be encouraged to eat their road kill, the state could save money it now pays state Division of Highways workers to remove the dead animals.

Currently, drivers can only take home road kill after they have contacted authorities. But Sen. Leonard Anderson, who sponsored the amendment, said that can take hours. By then, the meat is spoiled.

Faircloth said Anderson's intentions may have been honorable, but the attention the state is now getting is anything but.

Businesses thinking of moving into West Virginia may reconsider if they think the bill is indicative of the state's quality of life, he said.

Faircloth asked delegates to imagine a dinner discussion between a corporate executive and his family.

"How many kids will say, 'No, Mom! No, Dad! We don't want to move to West Virginia, where we'll have to eat road kill!'"

FBI agents scout state for rape-case fugitives

CHARLESTON (AP) — Federal authorities believe a pair of suspects in the kidnap-rape of a North Carolina woman are familiar with southern West Virginia and may still be there.

The two men abducted the woman on Jan. 25 at a mall in Fayetteville, N.C., and forced her to make a cash-machine withdrawal from her bank account. Her car was later found at the mall, said FBI Special Agent William J. Crowley in Pittsburgh.

They drove the 32-year-old woman to Bluefield, where she was sexually assaulted that night at a hotel.

The suspects drove the woman to Parkersburg, where she was thrown naked out of the car and kicked in the head by one of the suspects, Crowley said. She went to a nearby residence and contacted police. She was hospitalized and taken home.

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— Christian St. John
Graduate College senator in today's page one story.

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Scholarship rewards outweigh drawbacks

Courtney OSTAFF
columnist

I would like to respond to some current issues concerning scholarship students.

First, I would like to state that college students are capable of maintaining 3.5 cumulative grade point averages, and there are several junior and senior level John Marshall Scholars and Yeager Scholars to prove my point.

Next, I would like to point out that Marshall University is not a high school, and that the classes and requirements are more difficult to maintain than high school classes. While I understand the concern that the pressure to maintain a 3.5 cumulative grade point average would hurt one's ability to be active in the collegiate community, and therefore future admissions, I've been investigating various graduate schools, among them upper tier law schools, and the criteria for admission to graduate schools is very different from undergraduate criteria.

Realizing that only a small percentage of the university population receive academic scholarships, I would like to clarify my stance as to the John Marshall Scholarship that I receive. I am grateful for the scholarship, because it allows me to attend school for four years without taking out any undergraduate loans. I also recognize that there are other students at Marshall University who work just as hard as I do, if not harder, and with less reward.

I have no children, am not yet married, have no debt, and do not work full-time. Yes, the criteria for maintaining an academic scholarship are stringent, and in my opinion, they should be lowered for first-and second-semester freshman, so that they may have the chance to adjust to college life.

However, I give back to my school in the form of "better" statistics, and increased school participation. I take challenging classes, like Math 229 [Calculus I], and I make "B's." I have to make more "A's" than "B's", so I take other classes to compensate. I volunteer for activities, but I have to pick and choose carefully so that they do not jeopardize my GPA. My act of writing this column is another way that I contribute to M.U. Because we are financially rewarded for our academic abilities, theoretically allowing us to be much more active on campus, student leadership and participation are expected.

In short, there are both rewards and disadvantages to receiving a scholarship from Marshall University, but I believe that the rewards outweigh the disadvantages.



Editor uses 'several tricks' in effort to 'fool people' about their freedom

To the editor:

Thursday's (Jan. 29) editorial uses several of the tricks that the religious right frequently uses to fool people about their constitutionally guaranteed freedoms. For example, the column argues that since the word "God" is mentioned in the constitution, therefore all must bow down to one particular God—their God. But the God mentioned in the constitution bears little resemblance to the vision of God pushed by the religious right. To believe that Jefferson's "God" is even remotely like Jerry Falwell's "God" is to

demonstrate ignorance of both religion and history. Furthermore, the "God" of the hate-driven religious right bears no resemblance at all to Jesus Christ's God of love.

As the column said: "be careful not to be swayed by those armed only with ignorance." It's one thing to be ignorant. It's another to lie about history in order to try to fool people. The column gives an alleged quote from Jefferson to make its case. But the slightest bit of research shows the "quote" to be a fabrication. In three minutes I found several different websites, ranging from the Uni-

versity of Virginia to a religious-right site that had the text of Jefferson's famous letter to the "quote" given in the column. Jefferson's letter is perfectly clear and argues exactly the opposite of what the column argued. After all, this country was established to protect us from tyranny by people who would use religion to control others.

The writer of the column probably did not make up the lie about Jefferson. He probably just fell for this typical piece of right-wing propaganda. The actual liar rightly assumed you can fool all of the people some of the time and

some of the people all of the time, especially people who want justification for their desire for power over others. Using the word "God" is a good way to bully people.

We should, indeed, be careful not to be swayed by those armed only with ignorance. We should especially beware of those willing to lie about history in their quest to gain control over you and me.

Rick Bady
Dept. of Physics and
Physical Science

No 'tricks' used as professor claims; Recent editorial was honest mistake

Gary HALE
editor

In the eternal realm of things isn't it shocking how little we actually know?

On Jan. 29, I wrote an editorial that was supposed to raise discussion about the separation of church and state issue. I wrote with passion but not with my head. I have a file of clippings and research about this issue. But when I wrote the editorial, I relied on handwritten notes that were jumbled together.

I have a copy of the letter Thomas Jefferson wrote to the Danbury Baptist Association. It says nothing about keeping Christian principles in government. All I had to do was look it up. I also said "God" was mentioned four times in the Constitution. Again, a quick read would have told me otherwise. In fact, God is mentioned early on in the Declaration of Independence and is alluded to a couple of times thereafter. But "God" does not appear in the Constitution.

I challenged you to check the facts. And three or four of you let me know that you had. Kudos for being skeptical.

Then, there is Dr. Bady. Instead of just writing in and

telling of the mistake, he decides to write in and make accusations. I have a problem with this.

If you haven't read his column, stop and read it (above).

I used no tricks "to fool people." Someone tell Dr. Bady this isn't a circus. I made an honest mistake. In case you don't know, I am under no obligation to print his letter. Nor am I under any obligation to print that I was wrong. If I

was trying "to fool people" I would merely lie and then hide from the truth.

The truth is that I got carried away and didn't go back to the original sources. Yeah, it was a sloppy mistake. The same Dr. Bady has just made.

In his pursuit to make it sound like a conspiracy, Bady argues about the way "God" is used in the Constitution. The fact is, "God" does not appear in the Constitution but in the Declaration of Independence. Bady has done the same thing I did, not base his argument on facts.

Bady finishes off his argument by stating, "We should especially beware of those

willing to lie about history in their quest to gain control over you and me."

I would agree to that statement. The problem once again is that I am not willing to lie about history, thus, the reason my editorial has been written.

Bady has based his whole argument on the presumption that the column is some kind of "right-wing" trick. It was not a trick. It was just a poorly checked editorial.

I can only wonder why Bady is so adamant on making the "right-wing" and me (indirectly) look like liars.

If mudslinging is what you like to do then talk with Bady. It's OK to criticize an

article. It's OK to disagree with an opinion. It's OK to come to a different interpretation. But it's not OK to state something as fact and it be wrong. Nor is it OK to naturally assume the error was part of this big cover-up and go on rambling foolish statements and broad accusations.

Get off it Bady. You're as much "left-wing" as I am "right-wing." And what exactly is a "right-wing" or "left-

wing" person anyway? Are we on an airplane? And how can you tell, based on one column with mistakes, that I align myself with the "right-wing?"

What if I called Bady a tree hugging, evolutionist who spreads "left-wing" tricks to all his students? Without hearing his explanation on these charges, it would probably be wrong and in bad taste to run an article claiming his stance. Three of you wrote in with simple, valid concerns asking that I check my facts. To you, I say thanks for finding out what happened before responding and making accusations.

In actuality, I align myself with the left and this is a great scheme to make the religious-right look ignorant. I am a friend of Bady's and we're conspiring to wreck the credibility of the "right-wing" forever on this campus. Bady wrote the original editorial and I put my name on it. Since he won't admit to it, I guess I will.

Now did all that rhetoric make any sense? Was it based on any substance? Nope.

Tell me I goofed, that's desired. But don't raise the finger and start accusing without knowing what happened.

Too bad Dr. Bady got all carried away on his conspiracy theory. His explanation is invalid.

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What should America do about Iraq and the possible threat of a world war?

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Herd signs top football recruits

by **ROBERT HARPER**
reporter

West Virginia's Eddie Smolder of Ripley, Orlando Washington of Man, and Will Fisher of Moorefield top Marshall's 1998 recruiting class.

Smolder, a 6-2, 215 - pound linebacker from Ripley High School is considered by many experts to be at the top of Marshall's recruiting class. Smolder chose Marshall over West Virginia University.

Washington, who is listed as a defensive end, will get looks at tight end and at fullback. At 6-1, 230 pounds, he has demonstrated the speed and the agility to play multiple positions.

Marshall also signed Will Fisher, a highly touted quarterback from Moorefield, who was recruited by several other Division I-A schools. Fisher lead his high school to the state finals in 1997.

"There is no question that this is the best looking group that I have seen come through Marshall," said Gunter Brewer, assistant football coach and director of recruiting.

Marshall also received a commitment from a 6-1, 185 - pound defensive back, Denero Marriott. Marriott is from Hargrave Military Academy in Virginia. He is originally from Inwood, W.Va.

Marshall's other prominent recruits include a 6-3,

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— **Gunter Brewer,**
assistant football coach

230 - pound fullback, Gregg Kellett from Oakland Mills High School in Maryland and bull-riding tight end Brad Hammon from De Anza Community College. At 6-3, 235 pounds, Hammon was a first team all-American selection at the junior college

level.

Coach Brewer said James Williams, a 5-11, 185 - pound wide receiver from Hinds Community College and Max Yates, a 6-3, 235 - pound linebacker from Denbigh High School could help the Herd immediately.

NFL labor agreement to expire

WASHINGTON (AP) — The NFL players' association formally notified the league it will allow the current labor agreement to expire at the end of the 2000 season rather than extend it another two years. The league and the union broke off talks in December on extending the agreement, including the current player salary caps, until 2002. Gene Upshaw, the union's executive director, told The Washington Post that the league was demanding unacceptable job concessions after signing a \$17 billion TV contract that extends until 2002.

Track team to hit the road to WVU

by **CHRIS HAGY**
reporter

Marshall's track team is preparing for the bus ride to Morgantown this weekend to compete at the West Virginia University Third Annual Track Classic.

Unlike the Golden Flash Invitational, which the team competed at Kent State University, Saturday, Jan. 24, this meet will not be scored. Winners will be chosen, not by points, but based upon accumulated times. Marshall will face such schools as Tennessee State University, North Carolina State University and, of course, WVU.

Track coach Jeff Small was unsure how the recent snowy weather would affect the team.

"I don't know what kind of set back the weather will be, but we've had two weeks practice prior to the snow," Small said. "It's a good place for us to go. It's a short trip and we're usually pretty competitive."

Small anticipates excellent performances in the mens competition by Andrew Wilhite in the long and triple jumps, Aaron Trammell in the shotput, Kevin Sowres in the 35- pound- weight throw and Dave Lyle in the one- mile run.

"It's a good place for us to go. It's a short trip and we're usually pretty competitive."

— **Jeff Small,**
Marshall Track Coach

In the womens competition, the spotlight will be on Terra Lee in the hurdles and triple jump, Kate Shultz in the high jump, Starr Anderson in the long and triple jumps and Leona Benjamin in the hurdles.

Only one performance problem lay ahead for Marshall, Small said. "The track is slow," he said. "It's not as fast as we're used to."

WVU's indoor, 200 - meter track may pose a space conflict for Marshall, but Small believes it will be insignificant. "It will be a good competition," he said.

Black Legends induction ceremony Saturday

The Black Legends will have its first hall of fame induction ceremony 11:30 a.m. Saturday in the Uptowner Inn in Huntington.

The Black Legends is an organization formed to honor African-American alumni athletes of Marshall.

The organization was formed in 1995.

Philip W. Carter, executive secretary of the organization and associate professor of social work, said 14 of the 26 alumni to be honored will attend or be represented at the event.

Athletes that will attend include Troy Brown, New England Patriots wide receiver and Carl Lee, former

Minnesota Vikings all-pro defensive back.

Randy Moss, who is one of those to be inducted into the hall of fame, will be represented by his mother at the ceremony.

Other alumni who are planning to attend the event include basketball players Russell Lee, Delores Morrow

and Tammy Wiggins as well as former football team members Millard Fleming, Mickey Jackson, Larry Jarrett, Wilson Lathan and Reggie Oliver; and track sensation Erica West Jones.

Bruce Moody, a Marshall basketball player from 1958 to 1961 will be the master of ceremonies Saturday.

Carl Lee will be the keynote speaker.

3-on-3 Super Hoops tournament play at Gullickson Hall Thursday

by **ANDY BALLARD**
reporter

During the past decade, more than two million college students have participated in Schick Super Hoops, the largest collegiate 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

The tournament will return to Marshall, Feb. 12, at 4 p.m. in Gullickson Hall.

Super Hoops is the official collegiate basketball tournament of the National Basketball Association and is beginning its 14th consecutive season. More than 550 schools participate in the tournament all across the nation drawing nearly 200,000 participants, according to a press release from National Media Group, Inc.

The tournament consists of a men's and a women's division. The winners of each division from every participating school will

advance to one of 16 Schick Super Hoops Regional Tournaments.

Winners of the Marshall tournament will advance to The Ohio State University to play in the regionals. Lodging is provided by Schick, according to Sharon Stanton, assistant director of recreational sports and fitness activities.

Schick is the official razors and blades of the NBA and sponsors the Schick Rookie Game during NBA All-Star Weekend, as well as, the Schick Rookie of the Year Award. This year, Tim Duncan of the San Antonio Spurs is serving as spokesperson for Schick Super Hoops, a post previously held by Ray Allen, Jerry Stackhouse and Grant Hill.

For more information about the tournament, contact the department of Recreational Sports at 696-2943.

Women's tennis team to play at Virginia Tech

by **CHIP TUCKER**
reporter

Rain, sleet or snow won't stop Marshall's women's tennis team from playing at Virginia Tech Saturday at 10 a.m.

Virginia Tech is ranked third in the East. "They are a very good team. They might

be the strongest team we play this year," Laurie Mercer, women's tennis coach, said.

"We play them to prepare us for our conference. If we can go out and compete well against Virginia Tech then we'll be ready for anything that's in our conference."

Marshall will play six singles matches and three dou-

bles matches. The coach said she believes the team is ready.

"We have been practicing a while and I think that they're definitely ready to play," Mercer said.

Marshall's next match will be at home Feb. 13 at 3 p.m. They will play UNC Charlotte at the MU tennis courts across from the Barbourville Mall.

Herd signs three more

Head Coach Bob Pruett announced Thursday afternoon another three student-athletes have signed National-Letters-of-Intent to play football for the Thundering Herd this fall.

Wide Receiver from Danville, Va. Chad Deshazer; Quarterback from Capitol Heights, Md. Byron Leftwich and Defensive End from Monticello, Mass Carlos Smith have committed to play for Marshall.

The Herd has now signed 19 new players and expects to get a few more soon, according to the Sports Information Office.

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Tattoo you?

Today people are getting tattooed as a form of expression and a rite of passage

Living Arts Studio, Inc., located at 1524 4th Ave., may be the new kid on the block, but Kevin B. Ankeny, owner, and Brian A. Michki design only quality tattoos.

The process of getting a tattooing starts with a design. A customer can choose one at the studio, or bring one of his or her own.

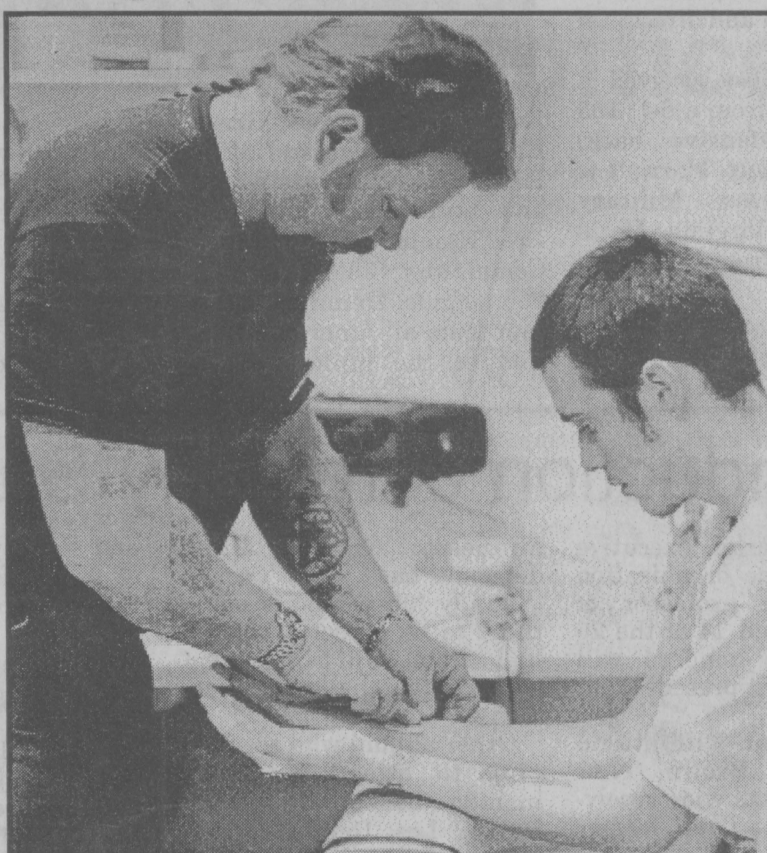
The design is then traced by the artist onto paper which is made into a duplicator master like from an old Ditto machine.

The artist then places the duplicator, or transfer, onto the part of the body chosen by the customer for a preview of how the tattoo will look.

After that, the needling begins.

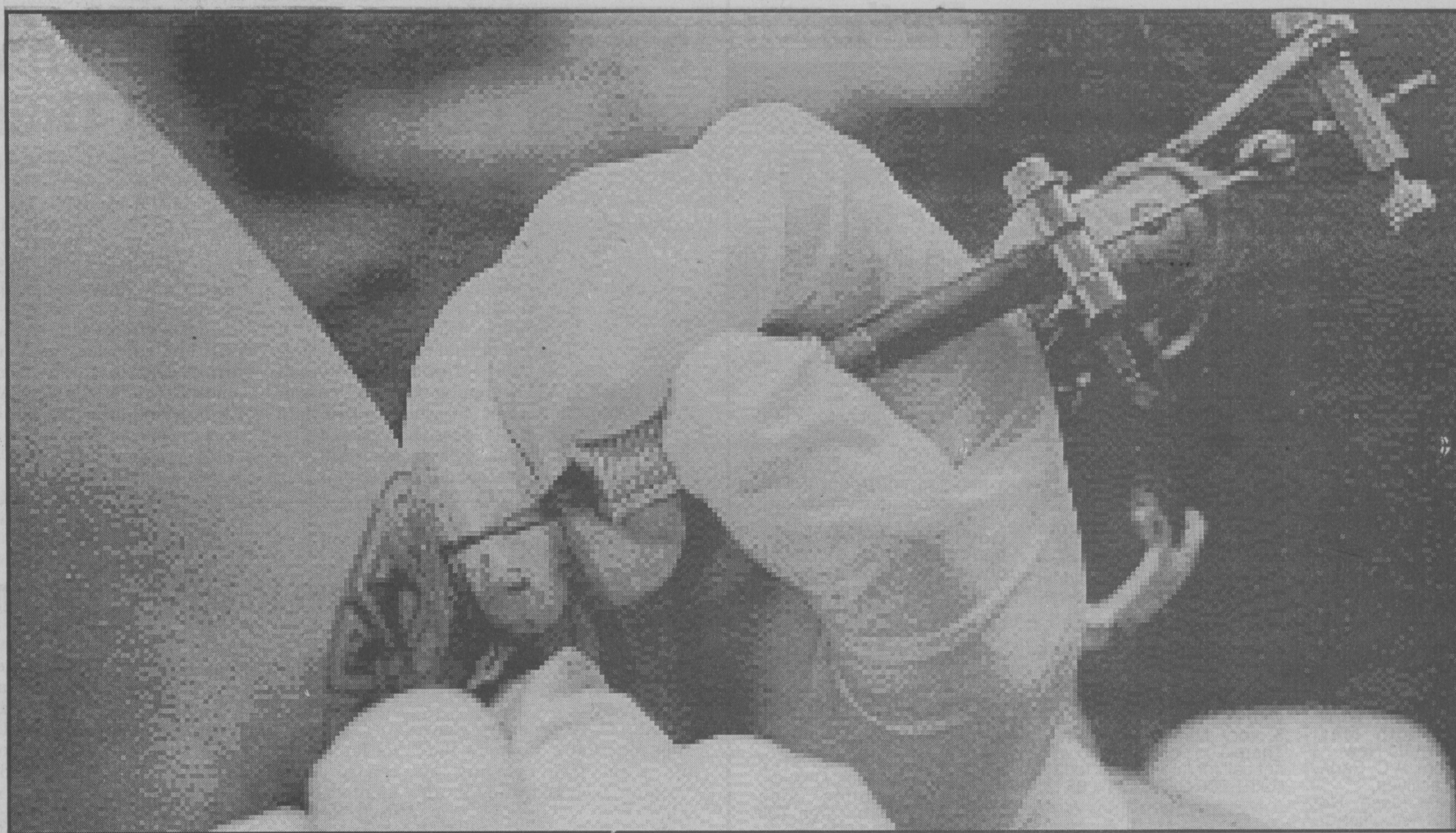
Aaron P. Flanagan, 19, of Elkview chose Living Arts Studios for tattoos on his wrists that will be the stopping point for the tattoo sleeves he will eventually wear.

Ankeny studied the art of tattooing through an apprenticeship.



FAR LEFT: After a customer picks out a design, owner Kevin B. Ankeny traces it. The tracing resembles a duplicator master from an old Ditto machine.

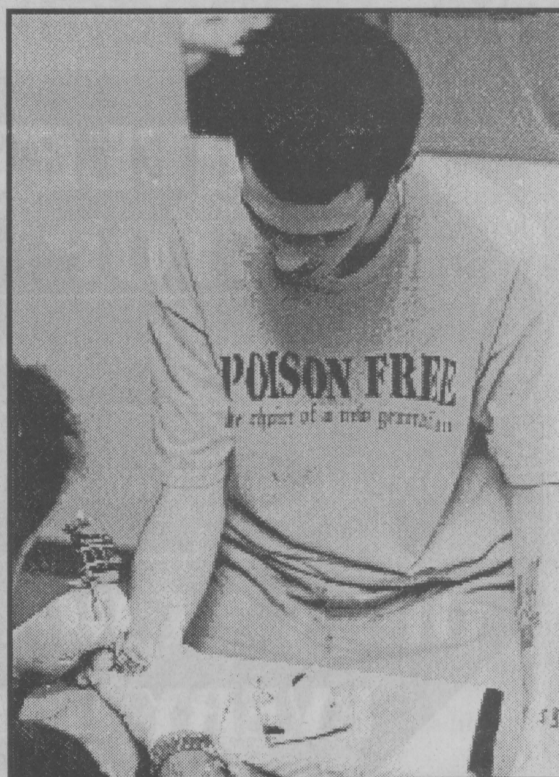
LEFT: Tattoo artist Brian A. Machki, left, applies the tracing to Aaron P. Flanagan's wrists. This gives the customer a preview of how the tattoo will look on their body.



Ankeny uses two different needles, and sometimes more to promote cleanliness. The needles are rinsed in detergent and alcohol between colors.

RIGHT: Michki tattoos "DRUG FREE" onto Flanagan's wrists, which he says is a way of life for him.

FAR RIGHT: Flanagan shows off the finished product.



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